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SUBJ: SANCTIONS COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 17 ADOPTS INTERIM
REPORT TO SECURITY COUNCIL

1. SANCTIONS COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 17 SPENT THREE HOURS
HAMMERING OUT ITS INTERIM REPORT TO SECURITY COUNCIL ON
EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS. USSR SOUGHT TO UNRAVLE CONSENSUS
ON REPORT REACHED IN COMMITTEE LAST WEEK BY INSERTING
SUBSTANTIVE COMMENTS ON EXPANSION PROPOSALS, HIGH-
LIGHTING, OF COURSE, WESTERN RESERVATIONS ON EXPANSION
OF SANCTIONS. US AND UK INSISTED THAT SUBSTANTIVE DEBATE
ON EXPANSION PROPOSALS HAD NOT REALLY BEEN JOINED AND THAT
CONSENSUS OF NOVEMBER 10 MEETING HAD BEEN THAT INTERIM
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REPORT SHOULD ONLY NOTE COMMITTEE'S CONFLICT OVER TIMING
OF SUBMISSION OF SUBSTANTIVE REPORT, NOTE THE CONCRETE
PROPOSALS WHICH REMAINED TO BE DISCUSSED, AND PROMISE
SUBSTANTIVE REPORT AT LATER DATE.

2. UNDER "OTHER BUSINESS", US REP COMMENTED ON CASES AS

FOLLOWS:

(A) CASES 228 AND 259: THE USG HAS NOT GIVEN PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN STATUS TO THE RHODESIAN TENNIS PLAYER COLIN DODSWELL; THUS THESE CASES SHOULD NOT BE CLOSED;

(B) BYRD AMENDMENT: A FINAL REPORT ON US IMPORTS FROM SOUTHERN RHODESIA UNDER THE BYRD AMENDMENT IS BEING PREPARED IN WASHINGTON AND WILL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE AS SOON AS IT IS COMPLETED.

3. AGREED TEXT OF CONTENTIOUS PARAGRAPHS OF INTERIM REPORT FOLLOWS:

"IN THE COURSE OF THE DISCUSSION IT APPEARED THAT THERE WAS A MEASURE OF AGREEMENT ON SOME OF THE PROPOSALS UNDER CONSIDERATION, ALTHOUGH NOT ALL DELEGATIONS HAVE YET EXPRESSED THEIR VIEWS ON THESE PROPOSALS AND NO CONSENSUS HAD BEEN REACHED ON ANY OF THEM. MANY OF THE DELEGATIONS INDICATED THEIR BELIEF THAT THE PROPOSALS REPRESENTED THE MEASURES NECESSARY TO EXERT CONTINUED PRESSURE AGAINST THE ILLEGAL REGIME IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA. THEY STRONGLY CONTENTED THAT SUCH MEASURES WOULD RENDER THE PRESENT SANCTIONS MORE EFFECTIVE. OTHER DELEGATIONS EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS IN SUPPORTING SOME OF THE PROPOSALS, SOME DELEGATIONS CITING, INTER ALIA, CONSTITUTIONAL BARRIERS IN THEIR COUNTRIES
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THAT WOULD MAKE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURES BASED ON SUCH PROPOSALS DIFFICULT. ALL THE DELEGATIONS SHARED THE CONVICTION, HOWEVER, THAT A FURTHER EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS WAS AN IMPORTANT WEAPON AGAINST THE ILLEGAL REGIME IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA.

"AT THE 299TH MEETING ON 10 NOVEMBER 1977, THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF THE SUBMISSION OF THE REPORT REQUESTED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL IN RESOLUTIONS 409 (1977) AND 411 (1977). THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TOOK THE POSITION THAT, IN VIEW OF THE CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING SOUTHERN RHODESIA AS A WHOLE, IT WOULD BE PRUDENT TO DEFER SUBMISSION OF THE REPORT. THEY WERE SUPPORTED BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF CANADA, FRANCE, AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY. BEARING IN MIND THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, IN SOME OF WHICH THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL WAS ALSO INVOLVED, THEY FELT THAT THE TIME WAS NOT OPPORTUNE FOR RECOMMENDING TO THE COUNCIL ANY FURTHER SPECIFIC MEASURES BEFORE THE OUTCOME OF THOSE

NEGOTIATIONS WAS KNOWN.

"ON THE OTHER HAND, THE OTHER TEN MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE FELT THAT THE COMMITTEE WAS OBLIGED, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE RELEVANT SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS, TO SUBMIT THE REQUESTED REPORT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THEY WERE OF THE OPINION THAT FURTHER SANCTIONS WERE INDISPENSABLE. BESIDES, THE QUESTION OF THE TIMING FOR CONSIDERING FURTHER MEASURES AGAINST THE ILLEGAL REGIME IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA WAS FOR THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO DECIDE WHEN THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT WAS BEFORE IT. THE REPRESENTATIVES OF BENIN, INDIA, THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA, MAURITIUS, PAKISTAN, PANAMA, THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS,

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ROMANI AND VENEZUELA, STRESSED THAT THE COMMITTEE HAD A SPECIFIC MANDATE ENTRUSTED TO IT BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND SHOULD FULFILL IT. THEY WERE IN FAVOR OF THE STRENGTHENING AND EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST THE ILLEGAL REGIME IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA AND BELIEVED THAT THE COMMITTEE SHOULD PROCEED WITH THIS WORK. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF CHINA POINTED OUT THAT HIS DELEGATION HAD NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE VOTE

ON SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 415 (1977) CONCERNING THE
APPOINTMENT OF A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL; HIS
DELEGATION WAS IN FAVOUR OF THE STRENGTHENING
AND EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTHERN RHODESIA,
AND BELIEVED THAT THE COMMITTEE SHOULD PROCEED WITH ITS
WORK. THE USSR DELEGATION PRONOUNCED ITSELF IN FAVOR OF
THE EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS TO THE FULL EXTENT OF CHAPTER
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VII OF THE CHARTER.

"THE COMMITTEE ACHIEVED CONSENSUS TO THE EFFECT THAT IT SHOULD
SUBMIT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL AN INTERIM REPORT
WHICH WOULD REFLECT THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE COMMITTEE'S
DELIBERATIONS IN FULFILLMENT OF THE MANDATE ENTRUSTED
TO IT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 12 OF
SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 409 (1977) AND 411 (1977),
RESPECTIVELY. CONSEQUENTLY, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE INTERIM
REPORT WOULD INDICATE ALL THE PROPOSALS SO FAR UNDER CONSIDERATION,
AS WELL AS THE POSITIONS OF DELEGATIONS IN THE COMMITTEE
WITH REFERENCE TO CONSIDERATION OF THOSE PROPOSALS AND
TO THE TIMING OF THE SUBMISSION OF THE FULL REPORT."

4. FOUR DRAFT PROPOSALS BEFORE COMMITTEE (USSR, LIBYA,
INDIA, BENIN) WILL BE INCLUDED AS ANNEX TO INTERIM
REPORT. COMPLETE TEXT OF INTERIM REPORT WILL BE POUCHED
DEPARTMENT, ATT: ESCUDERO.
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